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### A COASTING ACCIDENT.

Party of Merry Makers Thrown Against a Post.

Woonsocket, R. I., Feb. 23.—Three young people in a double runner party of ten were injured, two of them quite seriously, in a coasting accident on Fairmount street hill late yesterday, the sleds crashing into a post of a rail fence with terrible force, throwing all those on board off on to the ground.

The double, a three sled arrangement was the property of Arthur Brousseau, aged 15 years, who was steering, and the sled suffered fractures of both legs above the knee, the left also being also broken below the knee. The bones of the left leg were broken in several places.

### BURLINGTON'S VOTING LIST.

Striking Off the Delinquents Caused a Considerable Decrease.

Burlington, Feb. 24.—The lists for the March meeting were posted yesterday and the number of eligible voters in Burlington is 3,567. A comparison with the first posted lists of other years is given since 1900. The 1905 list is not so small as might be imagined from the effects of the new law which requires striking off delinquent taxpayers.

In 1904, the list was 3,701; in 1903, 3,856; in 1902, 3,503; in 1901, 3,773; in 1900, 3,324.

## SIDELIGHTS ON SERGIUS

Incidents That Depict Russian  
Grand Duke's Character

### CONDEMNED BY RADICALS

Uncle of Emperor Was Called Russia's  
Evil Genius—Stories of His  
Rigorous and Harsh  
Measures.

The late Grand Duke Sergius of Russia, who was a brother-in-law as well as uncle of the emperor and exercised immense influence at court, was regarded as the most reactionary of the grand dukes and has been called "Russia's evil genius," says the Philadelphia Public Ledger. As governor general of Moscow he was intensely unpopular. His advent as governor general of Moscow was followed by expulsion of the Jews from the central provinces, and throughout his administration his rigorous and harsh measures aroused the greatest hostility, especially among the students.

Two years ago, after the student riots in which many were killed or wounded, several hundred expulsions to Siberia followed under the orders of Grand Duke Sergius and General Trepoff, now governor general of St. Petersburg, then chief of police of Moscow. As there were many threats made against his life, the grand duke was obliged to flee to his summer residence, twenty miles from the city. During the recent strike disturbances the grand duke left the Diskontolny palace, on the outskirts of the city, where he had been living, and took refuge inside the ramparts of the kremlin, where he had since lived in what is known as the Little palace, opposite the famous statue of Alexander II. The trip to the kremlin on that occasion was made at night between solid lines of troops.

The sentence of death on Grand Duke Sergius was contained in a proclamation issued by the social revolutionists of Moscow after the demonstration on Dec. 11 of last year at St. Petersburg was put down. It read: "If our demonstration at Moscow (Dec. 18 and 19) is crushed in as bloody a manner as that of our brothers of St. Petersburg, then be the guilt thereof upon the head of Grand Duke Sergius and General Trepoff, and we, the committee, in that event have fore-ordained their death."

Much of the responsibility for the catastrophe at the coronation of Emperor Nicholas in Moscow, when several thousand people were crushed to death at the time of the distribution of the imperial gifts, was laid at Grand Duke Sergius' door. It was held that he had not taken sufficient precautions, and the Liberals, after the affair in St. Petersburg of Jan. 22 last, placed the major portion of the blame for that occurrence on his shoulders.

Sergius was born at Tsarskoe-Selo on April 29, 1857. He was married in 1884 to the Princess Elizabeth of Hesse-Darmstadt. As one of the leading spirits in the Russian reactionary party he was credited with being the chief of the malign influences which surrounded the czar, forcing on the war with Japan and repressing all the czar's inclinations to grant the Russian people a more liberal form of government.

One of the reasons why the czar deprived him of the governorship of Moscow was the discovery and publication of the fact that he had looted the Red Cross funds and stolen and sold supplies that had been furnished by public spirited Russians for the comfort of the soldiers in the field.

The most recent "prank" of Sergius, one that threatened to be dangerous, was that of posting placards in Moscow in which he charged that England had incited and aided the revolt in Russia. The grand duke, according to absolutely reliable information from Moscow, turned over the telegram to a Moscow newspaper, which declined to print it, whereupon, by the grand duke's direction, the police placarded it in the streets. The British ambassador at St. Petersburg called the attention of the czar's ministers to the canard and made a protest. Apologies followed, but Sergius continued to post placards and incite further hatred of England.

Another story told of him is that when conducting military maneuvers on a large scale he caused a bridge over the Volga which was packed with troops to be blown up with dynamite. Several hundred soldiers paid with their lives for the blunder, which would have been ridiculous but for the fatal results.

William E. Curtis, the Washington correspondent of the Chicago Record-Herald, wrote as follows of Sergius: "Early in the Russo-Japanese war Grand Duke Sergius called upon the patriotic people of Moscow for contributions for the sick and wounded in the Russian army in Manchuria, and one of the wealthiest men in that city, who owns several large woolen mills, contributed 100,000 blankets. A few months later he was approached by a commission man, who sold him back the same blankets for about half their value, and they were returned to the warehouse from which they had recently been given. Sergius shortly after called upon the public for a second contribution for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers, and the woolen man-

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manufacturer sent him 2 rubles, which is about \$1 in our money. The grand duke was furious and ordered him arrested and sent to Siberia. The manufacturer, however, was promptly released when an influential friend warned Sergius that the story of the blanket transaction would be published in every newspaper in Europe.

### IN HUB MARKETS

Quotations on the Leading Products in Demand.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Receipts of choice fresh-made creamery butter are very small, and consequently prices are very firmly held at a substantial advance. In fact, about all that is offering is storage creamery, and sales are made on condition rather than age. The new quotations are: Northern creamery, 32 1/2@33 1/2; western, 32 3/4@33 1/4; dairy, 20@30.

Cheese is firm and higher, with choice York state twins in demand. Buyers are showing more disposition to respond to the advance, though the actual movement is still light. York state, 13 1/2@14.

Eggs have taken on a stronger tone, owing to the cold weather, but off lots are plenty, and sell at low prices. Choice nearby, 35@36; eastern, 34 1/2@35; western, 33 1/4@34; storage, 30@31.

Beans are very firm in all markets, and prices show a substantial advance. Carload lots, pea, 22@23; medium, 22@23 1/2; yellow eyes, 22@23; red kidneys, 23@24; California small white, 22 1/2@23 1/2; jobbing prices, 10@15c higher.

The local fruit and produce market does not change much. Business has continued at a very low ebb and changes in prices though numerous have not been large. The weather is once more blamed for the dullness.

Receipts of potatoes have been smaller, and though the demand has not been active, the tone of the market has been very firm. Southern garden truck is not very plenty and in most cases brings high prices. Spinach and kale are in light supply, and string beans are very scarce. Sweet potatoes are dull and easier. Onions are quiet and steady and cabbages are unchanged except for savors, which are higher. Beets, carrots and parsnips have advanced and turnips are firm. Squashes have a fair sale. Celery continues steady. Rhubarb is cheap.

Potatoes—Aroostook green mountains, 45@47c a bu; hebrons, 40@43c; Dakota reds, 38c; York state white stock, 40c; sweets, Jerseys, 33@35.50 a bu; vineclads, 44@45.

Onions—Native, 14@15 a bu; Bermudas, 22@23 a crt; leeks, 50c a doz bchs.

Turnips—Yellow, 1 1/2 a bu; white, 50@75c a bu; French white, 52 a bu.

Spinach, etc.—Hothouse spinach, 2 a bu; Norfolk, 33@4 a bu; Norfolk kale, 2.50 a bu; hothouse dandelions, 22@2.25 a bu; beet greens, 40@50c a bu.

Cabbages—Drumhead, 1 a bu; savoys, 1.35 a bu; red, 1 a bu.

Lettuce, etc.—Hothouse lettuce, 75c@1.75 a box of 3 doz heads; chicory, 1.50 a doz heads; romaine, 1 a doz heads; mint, 75c a doz bchs; watercress, 75c a doz bchs; parsley, 1.25 a bu.

Celery—White, 1 a doz bchs; pasenel, 1.25@1.75; Boston market, 22@2.50.

Beans—Southern string beans, 8 1/2@8 a bu; butter beans, 8 1/2 a bu.

Squashes—Turban, 75c a bu; marrow, 75c a bu; Hubbard, 1.00@2.00 a ton.

Miscellaneous—Beets, 60@70c a bu; carrots, 50@60c a bu; parsnips, 75c@1 a bu; cucumbers, 45@14 a box; egg plants, 1.00@1.50 a doz; radishes, 25c a doz bchs; Brussels sprouts, 12@15 a qt; oyster plants, 1.25 a doz bchs; artichokes, 1.25 a box; tomatoes, Florida, 3 a crt of six bchs; hothouse, 50c a pound; southern peppers, 3 a crt; hothouse rhubarb, 40@50c a pound.

Apples—Kings, fancy table, 40@45 a bu; common, 1.50@2.50; northern spies, fancy, 4.50@5.00; ordinary, 4.15@4.50.

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Cranberries—Fancy late varieties, 8 1/2@7.50 a bu; other late varieties, 50@6.50; early varieties, 45@50; soft stock, 42@43; crates, fancy, 2.50@2.75; common to good, 1.50@2.

Smoked shoulders and skinned hams are 1-4c higher, while other pork provisions are steady and unchanged.

Hay is still in liberal receipt, especially of low and medium grades. The demand is quiet and prices are easy; receivers finding it difficult to get full quotations. Straw is quiet and easier. Millfeed is firm. Hay, No. 1, 1.10@1.18; low grade, 1.10@1.15; rye straw, 22@22 1/2; oat straw, 10@11.

May wheat has been exceedingly active in the Chicago market during the week, reaching \$1.21 1/2, when the advance culminated. The gain was made under the influence of the manipulation of the Gates crowd, the top price being a new record for the season and the highest point reached since the Leiter deal. Several small failures were reported, but the bull operators are still in control, though the bear interests are confident and aggressive.

### Funeral of Luman A. Drew.

Burlington, Feb. 24.—The funeral of Luman A. Drew was held yesterday afternoon at the late home on Maple street. The house was filled to overflowing with mourners, including representatives from every walk of life. Rev. J. E. Mead officiated. The honorary bearers were chosen from the Masonic bodies and Ethan Allen club: Sayes Nichols, Washington Lodge, F. and A. M.; E. S. Adsit, Burlington Chapter, R. A. M.; C. A. Barber, Burlington Commandery, K. T.; B. J. Derby, H. C. Gleason and W. E. Vetter from the Ethan Allen club. The casket was borne by six members of the police force. The mayor and members of the city council and officials of the United States court were present at the service and there were many beautiful floral tributes sent.

### Why He Didn't Draw.

Some of the West Virginia legislators occasionally indulge in the great American game of draw poker, and as a matter of course, some know more about the game than others.

A few evenings ago one of the "others" was sitting in a little game of fifty-cent limit jackpots. A pot was opened for 50 cents, and when it got around to the "other" gentleman he "tilted it a half." Three men "stayed," and two of them took one card each, one took three, and the "other" gentleman, though a Democrat, "stood pat." It was "passed up" to him, and he bet 50 cents, causing the others to "lay down." He showed four tens and an ace.

"Why in the dickens didn't you draw a card?" was asked of him.

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## The Times' Daily Short Story.

### The Last Flower On the Azalia

[Original.]

A broad open stretch of country, with here and there a clump of trees, bathed in that deep yellow afternoon sunlight peculiar to certain portions of the west. There is but one house in sight, and that a log cabin. No fence incloses it; no trees shade it. The only attempt to beautify it is a row of flowers on each side of the little stoop in its front.

From a well in the rear a young girl is carrying a watering pot to give the flowers their evening sprinkling. Her dress is a common calico, its skirt reaching only to her ankles. On her back hangs a sunbonnet, thrown off now that the sun has lost its power. Tenderly she bends over her plants, which seem to raise their lips to drink in the refreshing draft. In all that landscape there is no other cultivated beauty.

So wrapt was she in her occupation that she did not hear a step behind her till it was very near; then, turning, she saw a figure and a face before which the beauty of her flowers paled. Till this moment they had been her companions, her children, the only objects to love in that lonely land. Hearing a step, she turned. A handsome, good-natured, boyish face, with kindly blue eyes, was looking at her. Amused at her startled appearance and the pleasure she did not attempt to conceal, the stranger unsling a rifle from his back and rested it on the ground.

"Do you think," he asked, "that I could stay here all night?"

"I'll see." And she went into the house. When she returned to say that he could have what he wanted she found him pouring a fresh pot of water on her plants, which he had been to the well to bring. A mother feeling one feeding her hungry children could not have been more affected. Indeed, everything about the stranger tended to bring the girl under his magical influence. Whence comes this young fellow to sympathize with the one delight of her life? She neither knew nor cared. She only felt his presence.

The huntsman spent the night at the cabin. There were no rules to govern the conduct of the two, and they sat out on the stoop under the stars till the moon rose and eclipsed her heavenly sisters with her greater splendor. The man had been used to forms, but he forgot them now. Only an hour elapsed between his arrival and his first word expressing what both had felt for that whole hour.

"May I have a kiss?" he asked.

He whose manner was that of a god to ask for a kiss from a daughter of the desert!

In the morning he was gone. It seemed to her that instead of the sun rising it had set. Oh, that the hunting

grounds had lain near the cabin! But he had promised to return that way. She did not question that he would. She simply waited and watched and thought of him till he should come.

One morning she arose, threw open the shutter and looked out. The sun was rising, and his first soft morning rays lent to the desolate scene something like beauty. The few trees did not look so lonely, the uncovered country did not look so barren, now that the sun's light shone through mellowing mists. But if the orb of day was rising in the east the sun of the girl's heart was rising in the west. Glancing thither, she saw a little figure stepping lightly along the road. It was the young stranger, and he carried something in his arms.

When she went downstairs, there on the stoop sat the huntsman, and near him in an earthen pot was a plant—one that she had never seen before.

"When on the line of the railroad," he said, "I sent to the city for it. Had I not been waiting I would have returned earlier, for to give you one moment of happiness is worth more than all the game in the west."

"It is not in bloom," said the girl.

"No; it will not bloom till I come again, or, rather, when it blooms again I will come."

They spent one happy day together, then the stranger went on. Autumn faded into winter. A traveler stopped at the cabin one day and, seeing a name written on a bit of wood tied to the plant, asked:

"Has he been here?"

"Yes."

"Look out for him, little girl; he's a heart smasher. Hunts hearts as he hunts deer or antelope."

The girl turned pale.

"Did he give you that azalea?" asked the traveler.

"Yes. When does it bloom?"

"In the early spring."

From that time the girl began to wilt. It seemed when the winter was passing out and the azalea began to take on its new life that it was drawing its vigor from its mistress.